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St. Louis hospital reports a much longer list of Christmas casualties than usual—longer than the Fourth of July list.

A bulletin of the bureau of statistics shows that trade with the island of Porto Rico has increased from four millions in 1897 to more than forty millions in 1905.

After January first Judge James B. Gaunt will be chief justice of the Missouri Supreme Court being senior member of the court by date of commission. Judge Brace retires at that time.

Further indication of the coolness that has come between the president and his former friend, Senator Lodge is to be found in the senator's resolution to have the president's Panama message reprinted in "usual English."

The Texas Railroad Commission has declared Pullman cars common carriers and has ordered a reduction in rates of 20 per cent, effective February 1. The Pullman Company threatened to withdraw from Texas, but the commission stands pat.

The agricultural department, charged with the enforcement of the pure food law is giving the whiskey men trouble by refusing to permit blended or rectified liquor be labeled whiskey, without further words explaining what has been done to it.

The Roosevelt Third Term League has been formed in Chicago, and in a prospectus issued this week it is proposed to enlist members in every county of every state in the union. The prospectus says that the members of the league don't care whether the next term would be second term or third term. They want Roosevelt.

A bill has been introduced in congress to compel all railroads doing an interstate business to be equipped with electric block signals. Such a bill could not be introduced in the legislature of any state to cover lines which do only interstate business. There can be no such legislation which affects the safety of passengers and employees.

Secretary Root is spoken of as the probable successor of Senator Platt of New York, in case the latter should resign at the end of the present session of congress, as is expected. Secretary Root is a man of great ability and great capacity for usefulness. If he were to give one afternoon per month to the work he would more adequately represent the state of New York than both of the present senators.

In spite of the efforts of the Kansas City Star ink fish to color the waters it appears that Foraker has the best of the legal question involved in the president's order disbanding the negro regiment. The regiment ought to have been disbanded and some of its members ought to have been hanged, but there can be but little doubt that the president exceeded his authority under the law.

Representative John E. Barker of Macon county has prepared two important bills to be introduced in the legislature at the coming session: One is to give the state courts jurisdiction in all cases against corporations doing business in the state, and the other is to declare oil pipe lines common carriers. At present the jurisdiction of state courts in cases involving foreign corporations is limited to suits involving \$2,000 or less.

The biennial rivers and harbors bill carrying this year appropriations aggregating about \$50,000,000, is expected to be introduced immediately after the holidays. No intimation of the fate of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers has leaked out. Opposition to the improvement of these rivers is based upon the jealousy which the east feels toward the west. But sooner or later the west will reverse this sort of treatment by congress.

The legislature will be asked this winter to appropriate \$150,000 for the erection on the battlefield of Vicksburg of a monument to the Missouri soldiers who fought there. The national park of that place is the only rival in the south of the similar memorial field of Gettysburg. Millions

have been spent by the states and by the federal government in monuments and markers. The appropriateness of action by the Missouri legislature in this matter consists in the fact that 25,000 Missouri soldiers fought there.

In spite of injurious agitation the past year is said to have been the most prosperous one in the history of American meat packing industries. To further promote this prosperity Representative Stephens, of Texas, has introduced a bill in congress to give the president authority to negotiate reciprocal trade treaties in the interest of this industry, lowering or removing tariff duties on articles of import from friendly countries, provided these articles are not produced extensively in this country.

The memorial of the general passenger agents of the Missouri Pacific railway lines urging the appropriation of \$100,000 per annum to be expended by an immigration board in advertising Missouri in foreign countries has been presented to the governor. The suggestion is bad and very bad. A state is in poor business when it goes into the business of advertising for hands to work on railroad lines and in railroad mines. If the state has anything to spend for advertising it would be better to spend it in the other states of this country. Better let the railroads do their own advertising at their own expense.

Copies of the Boonville Advertiser are being sent out under the wrapper mark of Lon V. Stephens, containing a long editorial advocating the repeal of the Australian ballot law. There are evils in any election process. The Australian ballot has developed a thought of evils. Primary and convention schemes have their drawbacks. We are all too much inclined to pin faith to mere processes. No mere system, however well planned, will insure the success of a business or the welfare of a state. Both of the great political parties in Missouri have declared in their platforms in favor of a state primary law. The people want to flee from the evils which at present they endure, though they put themselves in the way of evils that they know not of.

Probably the most extraordinary recommendation that has been made by Postmaster General Madden who asks congress to do away with the several different rates of postage on second class matter and to make a uniform classification at one cent per ounce. Mr. Madden would do away with the distinction between bona fide publications and fake advertising papers and magazines. At present a newspaper or magazine is required to prove a legitimate paid circulation before it is entitled to entry as second class matter. Without making circular advertising any cheaper to the advertisers, Mr. Madden's suggestion, if carried into effect, would result in putting the newspaper on the same basis as the circular literature sent out by mail order houses and all sorts of fake advertising concerns. This would do more to demoralize the sources of public intelligence than any other scheme that could be enacted into law.

The Kansas City Star is indulging in a great deal of unnecessary felicitation over the appointment of James Brice to represent the court of England in this country. It is all very true that Mr. Brice has thought enough of us to write a book about us, but one would think that the Star had never read the book. "The American Commonwealth" is a very clever piece of composition and makes quite interesting reading in vacation time. The same might be said of Mark Twain's translations from the French of the story of the Leaping Frog Story, or of Monsieur Taine's estimate of Thackeray in his English Literature. The ingenuity, the brilliant cleverness with which he manages to be wrong in the best three out of five guesses upon the subject of American institutions is positively delicious. "The American Commonwealth" will be a choice morsel of literature when this country has become a consolidated empire, an autocracy. All that is needed is to know the truth to enjoy the humor of his errors.

It is forecasted by one of the newspapers which usually foreshadows pretty accurately the policies of the state administration that Governor Folk will urge upon the legislature a modification of the election laws so as to insure a form of ballot which will require a degree of intelligence

to vote. The proposed change is intended to abridge the rights of illiterate voters by a form of ballot which will make it uncertain for such voters to know whether they are voting the way they intend or not. It will be just as hard on those who come off from home without their spectacles and those who have forgotten the names of the minor candidates on the ticket which they wish to vote. On the whole the proposed change is probably for the better, but not so much for the better as to make anybody very enthusiastic about it. The franchise ought not to be granted to the illiterate and to the improvident. It would be a great deal better to meet this question fairly and fix both a property and an educational qualification upon the franchise. The roundabout, cowardly devices of many states in this matter are ridiculous. No party seems to have the courage to declare even for the qualifications which the most liberal state had at the time of the adoption of the federal constitution. At that time manhood suffrage did not exist in a single state.

If the forecasts of the governor's message are to be trusted there are many admirable, serious, and important items in it. For this reason the administration organs are cutting a ridiculous figure in dwelling upon at length and defending with apparent warmth the proposition to establish a state machine based upon the proposed power of a state excise commission to grant and to cancel saloon licenses. There must be degrees in goodness of anybody's recommendations, and this one will have to be admitted to be of the lowest degree of goodness of all the important forecasted recommendations of the governor. If the police in the cities are an offensive machine in the hands of a governor of easy scruples, what would a saloon machine be in the hands of such a governor? This is not only a bad suggestion, but it is not consistent with our folk's home rule, anti-machine professions. Nor has this suggestion been made except in a general way by the governor, and that in campaign speeches. Subsequent thought ought to change his impression upon this subject.

F. C. T. Brightwell returned Thursday evening from a week's visit with Mrs. Brightwell who went to Kansas City Thursday morning for a few days visit.

Mrs. Robert Edmonds and son, Robert, are spending the day in Wellington.

FOR RENT.—Ninety acres of corn and pasture land. Apply to J. L. Marshall, two miles south of Lexington.

Peevishness.
Peevishness may be considered the canker of life that destroys its vigor and checks its improvement; that creeps on with hourly depredations and taints and vitiates what it cannot consume.—Johnson.

Man Requires Much Food.
The amount of food required by an ordinary person is somewhat remarkable when comparison is made with an engine. A man requires to be supplied with about 4,600 foot tons of energy a day. That is to say, his food, if consumed in an engine, would raise 4,600 tons weight one foot high every day.

Costume Worth Small Fortune.
An entire costume of sable has been ordered by a wealthy lady, the skin for which—an exact match—has been gradually collected by a London firm. When completed, the value of this unique costume will be about \$10,000.

South African Winter Resort.
The popularity of Victoria Falls Rhodesia, as a winter resort for English men and women is increasing such an extent that it has been found necessary to augment the railway service and to increase the hotel accommodations.

Slaughter of English Birds.
Half a million grouse and nearly half a million partridges are killed yearly in Great Britain.

Weakness Common to Many.
It is only an error in judgment that makes a mistake, but it shows inferior character to adhere to it when covered.—Bovee.

Good Advice.
Don't condemn lying too strictly until you have assured yourself all truth that you never will force a weakling to that refusal. John A. Howland.

True Aim in Living.
Not the making of a fine career, the simple doing of God's will, is one true aim in living. Thus only we achieve real success. If we are though we fall in the earthly race, shall not fall in God's sight.—F. B. Miller, D.D.

GOOD DRESSING FOR SALAD.

Some Ingredients That Improve Old-Time Mayonnaise.

This is simply a good mayonnaise to which capers, pickles, olives, parsley, etc., are added to make a pleasing salad sauce for fish, tongue, broiled chickens, crabs, etc.

To make it, mix together in a small bowl one saltspoonful salt, one-half saltspoonful paprika, or white pepper, and one teaspoonful each mustard and sugar; have in readiness the yolks of two eggs and a half or whole cup of olive oil that has been chilled on the ice. Break the egg yolks into the mixed condiments and begin beating with a fork or wooden spoon; then commence adding the oil, very slow at first, beating with a fork or Dover egg beater. As the yolks begin to thicken, the oil may be added more rapidly, and now the Dover beater is the thing to use. Keep on adding oil until the mixture is so stiff that the beater refuses to turn, then thin with lemon juice or vinegar or half and half. It will require from three to four tablespoonfuls according to taste. A mixture of tarragon vinegar with the other vinegar or lemon juice is especially appetizing. When the proper consistency add at the last, still beating, a few drops of onion juice, one tablespoonful each chopped olives, cucumber pickles and parsley; also, if desired, an equal amount of capers or nasturtium seed. A few of the nasturtium leaves chopped fine are also esteemed by many. This sauce will keep for days in a cold place. Before making it see that the bowl and egg beater are chilled as well as the ingredients.

MANY REMEDIES FOR STAINS.

Comparatively Simple to Remove Blemishes From Fabrics.

Stains from milk, cream, meat, blood, sweet oil: Soak in cold water for a few minutes, then rub on soap and wash well in cold water.

Pitch, tar, wheel grease, machine oil: Rub lard or butter into the stain and let stand half an hour, then scrape off the pitch or tar. Wash in cold water, rubbing plenty of soap on the stain.

Grass stains: Soak in alcohol or molasses.

Fruit, tea, coffee, cocoa, or chocolate stains: Spread the stain over a bowl and pour boiling water through until the stain disappears.

Vaseline stains: Soak in alcohol or kerosene.

Iodine stains: Wash with alcohol, ether, or chloroform.

Scorch stains: Wet the stain with soap suds, then spread in the sun; cover the wet stain with starch made into a paste with soap suds.

Ink stains: There are several processes for removing these stains, but owing to the various methods of making ink, no one method may have no influence on another. Here are some of the simple methods: Wash the stain in several cold waters and then with soap and water; wash in sweet milk; soak in sour milk; wash in clear water and then in a solution of oxalic acid, then wash thoroughly in cold water.

Cooking and Spoiling.
There are three kinds of cooking—negative, neutral and positive. The first is no cooking at all; it is only spoiling good material; it is simply jabbing wildly at a delicate duty. The neutral sort is the kind where a person eats and doesn't know it—just swallows and goes; no sentiment, no beauty, no delight in it. The third is where the light of the mind and the grace of the heart join in the delicate mingling of the material; and touch this and that feature of the process with the lovely vision of the sculptor who rounds the white muscle of Venus' shoulder, or of the artist who blends in a flower the tints of another world.—Ohio State Journal.

The Useful Dado.
Nothing is more economical in wall decoration than a dado. As the lower part of the walls become soiled more quickly than the upper, a room can often be freshened simply by renewing the dado without touching the upper walls. Another advantage of the dado is that it gives a room a comfortable and furnished appearance without the addition of a lot of furniture. This is particularly true of a hall or stairway where there is a lot of space that needs breaking up.

Mock Chicken Salad.
Buy 10 cents' worth of veal, with as little bone as possible, to make a medium sized salad. Steam until very tender. Chop with an equal quantity of celery and dress with French dressing first; then, just before serving, pour a rich salad dressing over it and put on lettuce leaves. The illusion will be complete, and you will also have the satisfaction of knowing that the veal cost just about one-quarter as much as the chicken would.

To Clean Linoleum.
Linoleum or oilcloth should never be scoured with a stiff brush or strong soap, for the soda in the soap will damage the pattern, says Interior Decoration. Instead, a soft woolen cloth and warm water, to which a cupful of milk has been added, should be used.

Plaid Seen Everywhere.
Everywhere one sees the touch of plaid. It is to be regretted that it is so popular, for that presages for it an early death, and it is a pretty sad when kept within the bounds of good taste.

A Happy New Year

In bidding good bye to old 1906—a year that has been exceedingly prosperous to us and we trust to our many patrons also—we want to thank our friends for the very liberal patronage given us. We wish you a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

Fredendall & Wilson

LEXINGTON, MISSOURI.

In these closing days of this, our Banner Year we beg to offer to our patrons and friends of Lexington and Lafayette County, our sincere thanks for the generous support extended to us.

We have endeavored to please you, and trust our services have been satisfactory in every way. We earnestly hope for a continuation of our business relations.

Wishing you a very happy and prosperous "New Year" we beg to remain

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